

MORE DISINFORMATION FROM CDC

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Although NIOSH has not approved any respirators for use by children, see how CDC dances on this language (and NIOSH operates under CDC).

CDC – 2022-09-08 (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/types-of-masks.html>):

Considerations for Children

Masks

Anyone ages 2 years or older should [wear masks in indoor public spaces](#) when the COVID-19 Community Level is high. Learn more about [CDC's recommendations for masking in K-12 schools and Early Care and Education \(ECE\) programs](#). Schools and ECE programs should support anyone who chooses to wear a mask at low or medium COVID-19 Community Levels. The benefits of mask-wearing are well-established.

Respirators

Parents and caregivers may have questions about NIOSH-approved respirators (such as N95s) for children. Although respirators may be available in smaller sizes, they are typically designed to be used by adults in workplaces, and therefore have not been tested for broad use in children.

Selecting Masks

- Masks and respirators should not be worn by children younger than 2 years.
- Choose a high-quality and comfortable mask or respirator that your child can [wear properly](#). A poorly fitting or uncomfortable mask or respirator might be worn incorrectly or removed often, and that would reduce its intended benefits.

Note also under Selecting Masks requirements that one simply must be selected not to be uncomfortable, not dependent on whether or not it works.....but can be worn by children >2 (NIOSH says no)....

NIOSH – 2021 <https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/usernotices/counterfeitResp.html> - must click on 2021 tab in sheet:

View Additional Counterfeit or Misrepresented Respirators Listed from Previous Years

Counterfeit or Misrepresented Respirators Listed in 2021



Guangzhou Zhen Tao Culture Media Co., Ltd. is marketing Benehal Model 8865 as a NIOSH Approved respirator for kids. NIOSH does not approve filtering facepiece respirators for children. Suzhou Sanical Protective Product Manufacturing Co. Ltd. manufactures Benehal Model 8865, under NIOSH approval number TC-84A-7449. However, this unit is not NIOSH approved as a filtering facepiece respirator for children. (12/17/2021)

Really disgraceful and misleading language from CDC – What about just saying respirators are not approved by NIOSH (US approval agency for respirators) for use with children. And remember, NIOSH is an arm of CDC <https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/index.htm>).